



**US Army Corps  
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New Orleans District

## Project Fact Sheet

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### **Official Project Name**

Bayou Teche and Vermillion River, LA

### **Location**

The Vermillion River is a 131.8 mile navigable channel that runs from the 8 foot contour in Vermillion Bay to the head of navigation at mile 52 at Lafayette LA. There is a flood control project from Lafayette, LA to Port Barre, LA, as well as in Bayou Teche from 2 miles below Arnaudville to Port Barre, LA.

### **Purpose**

Provides a shallow draft navigation channel to Lafayette, LA, and improves flood control from Port Barre to the Vermillion Bay via Bayou Teche, Bayou Fusilier and Vermillion River.

### **Authority**

The project is authorized by the Flood Control Act of 18 August 1941. It provides for: a -8 ft MLG by 80 ft channel from the 8 foot contour in Vermillion Bay to the Gulf Intercoastal Waterway (GIWW); a -9 ft MLG by 100 ft channel from the GIWW to the head of navigation at mile 52 in Lafayette, LA; for navigation and flood control improvement of the non-navigable channels of Vermillion River and Bayou Fusilier from Lafayette, LA to Bayou Teche at mile 79; channel enlargement in Bayou Teche from 2 miles below Arnaudville to Port Barre, LA.

<br><br>The Project was reclassified as an O&M project under navigation by authority of the Office, Chief of Engineers, in 1st Indorsement 23 April 1956, on letter of the Division Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer Division, Lower Mississippi Valley, 6 March 1956, subject, "Classification of the Meremntau River and Bayou Teche and Vermillion River, Operation and Maintenance, General Projects."